

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 2-10, 12-24, 26-29 and 31, which have been indicated as allowable, remain in the application. Claims 1, 11, 25 and 30 are cancelled by this amendment. Claims 2, 12, 26 and 31 are amended to place the claims in independent form as suggested in the Office action.

**A. Conclusion.**

All of the remaining claims have been indicated as allowable. In view of all of the above, the case in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

No fee is believed required by this response. However, any fee deficiency associated with this submittal may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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